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To whom it may concern

It is disappointing to me that the proposed settlement does little to penalize Microsoft for the vast amount of destruction and abuse that they have caused.

There is nothing in the settlement to prevent further abuse, nor are the penalties enough to even be noticed.

I belive that Microsoft was shown to be a monopoly, and that is from my understanding illegal.

Dividing the company and preventing them from crating their virtually exclusive OEM licensing are the answers.

I am not optimistic that public comment really matters. The decision was purely political.

I am a strong Republican, but this is blatantly political. Microsoft will never agree to anything that will truly disrupt their current business practices.

It would be refreshing to see some moral strength from the DOJ by having this proposed settlement rejected, and pursuing a course that would prevent this from happening again. These problems are the same ones that existed at least as early as 1993.

It is sad to say that I do not believe that the public is being served.

Thank's

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Definition of insanity: Repeating the same action over and over expecting a different outcome.

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